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For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY
ACTIVE PYRIDINEETHANOL
DERIVATIVES**

Examiner: Y. D. Pak

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2006.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.